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MBA & CAP Award Scholarships to Pitt Engineering Students Scholarship Recipients Honored at the MBA Annual Membership Meeting

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Pittsburgh, PA – Master Builders' Association of Western Pennsylvania, Inc. (MBA) and Construction Advancement Program (CAP) awarded three scholarships at MBA's Annual Membership Meeting, which was held virtually on January 15, 2021. The scholarship awardees were Haley Turkovich, Brandon McDermott, and Aaron Mitsch. Collectively, the University of Pittsburgh School of Engineering's Construction Management/Civil Engineering Program students received \$16,000. Haley Turkovich took the top prize of \$10,000, with Brandon McDermott and Aaron Mitsch taking home \$5,000 and \$1,000, respectively.

All three students have interned with MBA member companies: Haley Turkovich with Mascaro Construction Company, LP; Brandon McDermott with Mascaro Construction Company, LP and Giffin Interior & Fixture, Inc.; and Aaron Mitsch with Independence Excavating, Inc.

Providing annual scholarships to students in the University of Pittsburgh's Engineering Department is something near and dear to the MBA & CAP. In the early 1990's CAP responded to an inquiry from Pitt's Engineering Department to do a needs assessment of the construction community so that Pitt could expand its engineering studies into areas that would improve the skills and the marketability of its graduates. The CAP Board of Trustees worked with university faculty to help set goals for what is now the Pitt Construction Management Program.

Since MBA and CAP teamed to provide annual scholarships in 1998, more than \$225,000 in scholarships have been awarded.

About CAP: The Construction Advancement Program is a service organization established in 1961 via the collective bargaining agreements between the MBA and the various building trades unions. The primary function of CAP is to provide services benefiting all persons, management and labor alike, who earn their living in union construction.

About the MBA

Since 1886, MBA contractors have set the standard in Western PA for construction excellence by investing in a skilled workforce, implementing award-winning safety programs and offering the best in management expertise. For more information on the MBA, please call 412-922-3912 or visit <u>www.mbawpa.org</u>